

REMARKS

Reconsideration of this application as amended is respectfully requested. The foregoing amendment and the following arguments are provided to impart precision to the claims, by more particularly pointing out the invention, rather than to avoid prior art.

In the Office Action, claims 1-6 and 13-18 were pending. Claims 1-3, 13-14, and 17 are allowed. Claims 4-6, 15, 16, and 18 were rejected.

In this response, no claims have been canceled. Claims 4-6, 15, 16, and 18 have been amended to particularly point out and distinctly claim, in full, clear, concise, and exact terms, the subject matter which Applicant regards as his invention. Applicant acknowledges with appreciation the allowance of claims 1-3, 13, 14, and 17. No new matter has been added.

Claims 4-6, 15, 16, and 18 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. §101 because the claimed invention is directed to non-statutory subject matter. In view of the foregoing amendments, it is respectfully submitted that claims 4-6, 15, 16, and 18 are directed to a patentable subject matter.

In view of the foregoing, Applicant respectfully submits the present application is now in condition for allowance. If the Examiner believes a telephone conference would expedite or assist in the allowance of the present application, the Examiner is invited to call/email the undersigned attorney.

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Respectfully submitted,

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